

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (**currently amended**): A stackable and collapsible transport box, comprising:

- (a) a base plate;
 - (b) two first side walls which are mutually opposite and collapsible in a lower first plane connected to the base plate via hinge joints; and
 - (c) two second side walls which are mutually opposite and collapsible in a higher second plane connected to the base plate via hinge joints,
- wherein the base plate comprises a plurality of supporting pillars, wherein the supporting pillar are arranged as ~~tubular tube~~ elements beneath the base plate and arranged as ~~angular angle~~ elements above the base plate, and wherein the ~~angular angle~~ elements are provided with step-like arrangements to ~~such that the angle elements can~~ receive ~~tubular tube~~ elements of a second transport box in the collapsed state.

Claim 2 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 1, wherein the ~~angular angle~~ elements each comprise a short section and a long section.

Claim 3 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 2, wherein the two second side walls each comprise a rectangular cut-out in two corner regions which receive the long section of the ~~angular angle~~ elements.

Claim 4 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 1, wherein each of the two second side walls is provided with at least two inwardly bent edges having an ~~and~~ upwardly tapered bevel ~~tapering~~ edges whereby the side walls may be placed above one another.

Claim 5 (**canceled**).

Claim 6 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to ~~claim 5~~ claim 4, wherein the bevel is reinforced with ~~several~~ a plurality of superimposed transversal ribs.

Claim 7 (**original**): The transport box according to claim 1, wherein each of the first and second side walls comprises longitudinal and transverse ribs in the corner regions.

Claim 8 (**original**): The transport box according to claim 7, wherein the transverse and longitudinal ribs are welded to a stiffening flat cover.

Claim 9 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 1, wherein the transport box further comprises a plurality of runners provided with projecting cams which are fastened to the ~~tubular tube~~ tubular elements of the supporting pillars.

Claim 10 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 9, wherein the runners comprise runner elements which form a quadrangle that corresponds to the transport box when the runner elements are inserted in the ~~tubular tube~~ tubular elements.

Claim 11 (**original**): The transport box according to claim 9, wherein each of the runner elements and the cams is provided with a hollow arrangement and each of the cams comprises reinforcing elements.

Claim 12 (**original**): The transport box according to claim 10, wherein each of the runner elements is provided with a flat groove and may be assembled into a quadrangle via connecting elements.

Claim 13 (**currently amended**): The transport box according to claim 1, wherein the transport box may be manufactured by an injection-molding process using ~~high-quality and impact-proof~~ plastic.

Claim 14 (**original**): The transport box according to claim 13, wherein the plastic is selected from the group consisting of: polyethylene (PE) and polypropylene (PP).